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II. Remarks

Reconsideration and re-examination of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks are herein respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the above amendments, claims 10-14 are pending in the application.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 10-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,574,025 to Juaire et al. ("Juaire"). Applicants traverse this rejection.

As amended, the present invention claims a method of forming a wall panel with first and second polymer sheets, the second polymer sheet being formed with a substantially smooth central region without ribs over substantially the entire width and length of the second polymer sheet. Additionally, the claims (particularly claim 13) recite joining a plurality of said panels to form a portable toilet. This novel construction solves many of the problems associated with cleaning the interiors of portable toilets.

As seen in Juaire, the panel does not form an inner or second sheet that has a substantially smooth central region without ribs over substantially the entire width and length of the second polymer sheet.

As seen in Figures 2 and 4 of Juaire, approximately less than half of the width of the illustrated panel can be considered substantially smooth and without ribs. No illustration of Juaire discloses information regarding the length of the panel. Additionally, Juaire does not disclose using multiple ones of the panels to form a portable toilet. The panel in Juaire is one where a door is intended to be cut from the panel. The remaining U-shaped portion is then partially folded upon itself to reduce its width and form a door wall. Thus, additional ones of such panels would not be suitable to be joined together to form a portable toilet because it would result in a four door toilet or one with different wall widths, neither of which is acceptable.

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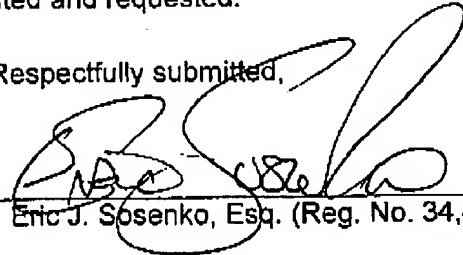
Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present form of the claims are patentably distinct over the art of record. Allowance of the claims is therefore warranted and requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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